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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification:

Please insert the following <u>new</u> paragraphs at page 2, line 1, after the "Related Applications" section:

-- Incorporation of Material Submitted on Compact Discs

This application incorporates herein by reference the material contained on the compact discs submitted herewith as part of this application. Specifically, the file "seqlist" (2.43 MB) contained on each of Copy 1, Copy 2 and the CRF copy of the Sequence Listing is hereby incorporated herein by reference. This file was created on July 25, 2003. --

Please replace the paragraph at page 50, lines 2-8 with the following paragraph:

--Genomic libraries as described in Example 2 were used for DNA sequencing according to standard methods, in particular by the chain termination method using ABI377 sequencing machines (see *e.g.*, Fleischman, R.D. *et al.* (1995) "Whole-genome Random Sequencing and Assembly of Haemophilus Influenzae Rd., *Science*, 269:496-512). Sequencing primers with the following nucleotide sequences were used: 5'-GGAAACAGTATGACCATG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 677) or 5'-GTAAAACGACGGCCAGT-3'(SEQ ID NO: 678).--